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February 25, 1987

The Honorable Charles A. Bowser
Comptroller General of the U.S.
General Accounting Office
Washington, D.C. 20548

Dear Mr. Bowser:

I am writing in reference to U.S. covert assistance to the
Mujahedin of Afghanistan.

The Congressional Research Service reports that covert aid
to the Afghani Resistance began in 1980 at \$20-30MM per annum,
and was increased to \$75-80MM by 1984.

In addition to this, CRS Issue Brief Order Code IB86113
(page 1) lists the following funding levels in recent years:

FY85 \$250-280MM
FY86 \$470MM
FY87 \$630MM

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Because there have been repeated reports that much of this
assistance is not reaching the intended recipients, I am hereby
requesting that GAO conduct an investigation of U.S. assistance
to the Afghani freedom fighters, with a view to ascertaining
whether any of these funds have been diverted.

If funds have indeed been diverted, I would appreciate being
apprised of:

- (i) the amounts involved,
- (ii) the eventual recipients.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



William H. Gray, III
Member of Congress

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Purpose:	See title
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